

# San Bernardino County COVID-19 Vaccine Provider Weekly Update

Direct San Bernardino County Provider Line: 909-601-4593 – When in doubt, give us a call!

## Vaccine Request Form Now Open

Requests for vaccine allocations can be submitted with your County representative directly or through the biweekly Smart sheet request form **that is now open!**

Please submit this form by **Tuesday, December 7 at 5 p.m.**

[Link to County Vaccine Request Form](#)

For your reference, the county sheet opens every two weeks (*open Friday, December 3 – Tuesday, December 7 at 5 p.m.*). This request captures vaccine needs for the week of:

- December 13-17
- December 20-24

## myCAvax System Reminders!

### Reporting Vaccine Doses Spoiled, Expired, or Wasted

Under unforeseeable circumstances, vaccine waste may occur. All providers should report such events on their **myCAvax account** under **Vaccine Inventory-Waste**. For further instruction please refer to [Reporting Doses, Spoiled, Expired, or Wasted](#).

### Accepting Redistributions

In compliance with the CDPH and CDC program agreement, your facility must accept redistribution notices weekly with county delivery. Providers should receive notification of pending redistribution notices upon login to myCAvax.

### Accepting Vaccine Deliveries

As a reminder, county vaccine deliveries may be accepted by any approved clinically licensed staff member. This ensures proper handling of the vaccine allocation once the delivery is accepted.

### Upcoming Holidays

We appreciate all of our providers' continued adaptability and collaboration as we enter the higher demands of this holiday season. Your partnership in the COVID-19 response is the greatest gift to us!

The San Bernardino County offices will be **closed**:

- Thursday, December 23 – Friday, December 24
- Thursday, December 30 – Friday, December 31

Please note this may impact vaccine requests deadlines in the upcoming weeks.

## Omicron variant (B.1.1.529)

We are still learning about the new Omicron variant, how it spreads and infects individuals as well as how it responds to vaccines. To help detect and prevent the spread of this new variant, get vaccinated, wear masks, get tested, and stay home if sick. Please refer to the following resources for more information regarding the Omicron variant:

- [CDPH Fact Sheet: Omicron Variant](#)
- [SB COVID-19 Frequently Asked Questions](#)
- [CDC Statement Omicron Variant Detected in the US](#)

## CDC Expands COVID-19 Booster Recommendations

CDC has strengthened the recommendation on booster doses for individuals who are 18 years and older. **Everyone age 18 and older should get a booster shot either when they are 6 months after their initial Pfizer or Moderna series or 2 months after their initial J&J vaccine.** The recent emergence of the Omicron variant (B.1.1.529) further emphasizes the importance of vaccination, boosters, and prevention efforts needed to protect against COVID-19.

For the full release, please visit [CDC Newsroom Releases](#).

### Need Help?

Visit our [COVID-19 Vaccine Provider Resources](#) website or contact us at:

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